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Bernard COUTURE et al.

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Title: SEAL ASSEMBLY FOR TURBINE, BUCKET/TURBINE INCLUDING SAME,
METHOD FOR SEALING INTERFACE BETWEEN ROTATING AND STATIONARY
COMPONENTS OF A TURBINECommissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

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Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith

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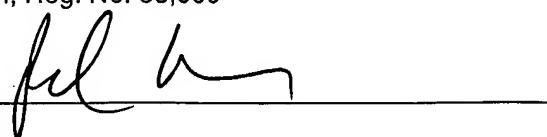
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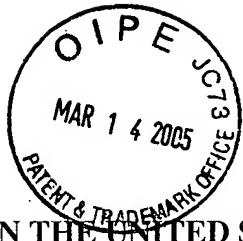
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AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Official Action dated January 11, 2005, please amend the
above-identified application as follows: